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SUBJECT: ILLEGAL FIREARMS - CANADIAN AND US ENFORCEMENT

1. TWO OFFICERS OF THE WINDSOR ONTARIO RCMP ADVISED TREASURY'S BUREAU OF ALCOHOL AND TOBACCO (BATF) OFFICE, DETROIT THAT THEY HAVE AN AMERICAN CITIZEN INFORMANT WHO WAS OFFERED SEVERAL FIREARMS BY A CANADIAN MIDDLEMAN IN WINDSOR. REPORTEDLY, THESE FIREARMS MAY BE COMING FROM THE US.

2. TO CONFIRM OR DENY SUSPICIONS RCMP IS ARRANGING FOR INFORMANT TO PURCHASE A SAMPLE OF THE FIREARMS ON US SIDE OF BORDER AND IF CONSUMATED, INTRODUCE AN UNDERCOVER AGENT IN WINDSOR TO DEAL WITH MIDDLEMAN THERE FOR FURTHER PURCHASES IN US.

3. RCMP OFFICERS HAVE REQUESTED GOC FOR PERMISSION TO WORK INSIDE THE US FOR PURCHASE OF THE SAMPLE IN THE US AND HAVE PROPOSED PARTICIPATION IN CANADA OF BATF OFFICER FOR FOLLOW-ON PHASE OF CONSPIRACY INVESTIGATION.

4. EMBASSY COMMENTS WOULD BE APPRECIATED CONCERNING PROPOSED JOINT OPERATIONS WHICH WOULD FOSTER ONGOING

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COOPERATION BETWEEN ENFORCEMENT OFFICIALS ON BOTH SIDES

OF BORDER. NO DATES HAVE YET BEEN ESTABLISHED. KISSINGER

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